GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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HIKE IN DEALER`S COMMISSION
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fact that oil PSU`s are not increasing the RPO dealers` commission as per fixed and already approved formula to compensate the impact of price hike;

(b) the percentage of rates of petrol & HSD increased by the oil PSU`s during he month of December, 2002 and January, 2003 and the net impact on the cost of marketing/sales by petrol dealers kilo-wise and percentage-wise;

(c) whether the oil PSU`s are not following the Government`s approval formula prescribed for the same; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): With the dismantling of the Administered Pricing Mechanism in the petroleum sector effective 1.4.2002, the Government is no longer fixing the dealers` commission on petrol and diesel, which is now being fixed by the oil companies.

The oil companies have last revised the dealers` commission effective 1.11.2002. As per this revision, the dealers` commission on petrol was increased from Rs.613/KL to Rs.639/KL and on diesel from Rs.365/KL to Rs.385/KL.

The retail selling price of petrol and diesel at Delhi from 16th November 2002 onwards are given at Annexure. Some elements of the dealers` commission depend upon the prices of petrol and diesel.

ANNEXURE

The changes in the retail selling prices of petrol and diesel in Delhi from 16th November 2002 onwards.

(in Rs. per litre)

As on	PETROL	DIESEL
16.11.2002	29.57	18.57
01.12.2002	28.91 (-2.2%)	18.06 (-2.7%)
03.01.2003	29.93 (+3.5%)	19.07 (+5.6%)
16.01.2003	30.33 (+1.3%)	19.47 (+2.1%)
01.02.2003	30.71 (+1.3%)	19.84 (+1.9%)

Note: Figures in bracket give percentage (%) change in price as compared to earlier price.